



AGC/WSDOT ROADWAY TEAM

MINUTES for Meeting of December 9, 2004 AGC Office, Tacoma WA

Attending:

X	Frank Scarsella		Bill Grady	X	Scott Droppelman
	Scott Stephens		Jeff Peterson		Bob Glenn
	Joe Spink	X	Dan Glover	X	Jim Spaid
X	Al Dyer	X	Ray Arnold		Mike Morishige
X	Gil McNabb		Ken Stone		Terry Mattson
	Larry Eik		Jay Drye	X	Patty Lynch

Minutes of October 28, 2004, meeting

There were no comments on the meeting notes.

Old Business

Minutes of Other Team Meetings

Meeting notes from the November 12, 2004, meeting of the Admin Team were distributed. Jim Spaid noted that the Admin Team had reviewed and discussed provisions for environmental incentives. The final version of the provisions should be ready in December. The subject of revisions to Section 1-08 on progress schedules is also on the table for discussion.

Meeting Notes from the October 22, 2004, meeting of the Structures Team were distributed. A number of specifications are being reviewed for comment.

Meeting notes from various industry/WSDOT teams may be viewed at The State Construction Office website at the following address:

<http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/biz/construction/Default.cfm>

December 6, 2004 Amendments – Jim distributed a copy of the December 6, 2004 memo to Region Construction Managers. He noted that the memo authorized contractor requested change to incorporate the revised Section 9-01.2(1) into current contracts.

Disposal of Excess Material – Jim Spaid noted that there had been a breakthrough with Department of Ecology regarding new rules imposed for disposal of material. WSDOT had responded to the new ruling with a special provision, which prohibited any excess material from being placed in certain sensitive areas, and precluded disposal of any

material to a topsoil manufacturer. Changes in the ruling will be communicated with the Team as soon as we are aware of how they will impact our specifications.

Section 8-01.3 – Treatment of pH for Concrete Work - This issue had been originally brought forward for review and comment at the September meeting. There were several comments as follows:

- A “plan” is required to be submitted by the contractor. Could this be incorporated into the SPCC plan or the TESC plan?
- Does this apply to any and all concrete work?
- Focus should be on checking pH at the point where the runoff leaves the project site.

New Business

Concrete Barriers – Jim Spaid provided a copy of proposed revisions to Sections 6-10, 6-13, and 6-14. The proposed changes provide some clarification for provisions that have been in use for almost a year. The changes include:

- Addition of measurement and payment for Structure Excavation Class B, with references back to Section 2-09.
- Changes to the naming convention for the single slope and F-shape barrier on geosynthetic walls to match that on the Standard Plans.

Comments on the proposed changes will be due at the next meeting.

Environmental Compliance Lead – Jim Spaid distributed copies of a draft special provision for Environmental Compliance Lead (ECL). This subject was touched on at the October meeting. Larry Eik was tasked to put a draft together based on comments heard at that last meeting. Patty Lynch, attending this meeting from the Environmental Services Office, also provided some preliminary review comments to Larry. Discussion and comments on the draft provision were as follows:

- The contractor must submit a plan for approval. Can the plan be incorporated into one of the other required plans (SPCC, TESC, Concrete pH, Roadside Work Plan, etc.)?
- The ECL should be a project manager or assistant that will be at the jobsite on a daily basis.
- Training is needed for the project foreman (at the jobsite), and for the project manager level (manages several projects).
- Experience requirement was troubling in that the ideal person must have experience in contract work to be able to see how environmental compliance comes together with the construction of the project. Suggest three years experience with environmental compliance training.
- Duties of the ECL include several items that are “as directed by the Engineer”. These need better definition to make measurement and payment less complicated.
- Draft provision shows measurement and payment by the “day”. Due to the “as directed” provisions, consider force account.

Jim will work on revisions to the draft based on the comments and suggestions. A new draft will be considered at the next meeting.

Section 8-04.3(1) Extruded Cement Concrete Curb – Jim Spaid provided copies of a proposed revision to the specification that is currently in use. The change stems from

Region concerns regarding the epoxy adhesive option for anchoring the new curb to the pavement. The Type II epoxy bonding agent had not performed well in some applications. The lack of performance may have been because the Type II epoxy is for non-load bearing applications. Type V epoxy could be substituted but it tends to soften at temperatures in excess of 120°F. The proposed revision eliminates epoxy adhesive as an option and requires the use of steel tie bars as shown on the Standard Plan.

Discussion comments included the fact that extruded concrete curb is not reinforced, so is vulnerable to breakage between the tie bars at the end of each section, if hit.

AGC/WSDOT Annual Meeting – Van Collins distributed advance copies of the annual meeting brochure, and the map to the Fircrest Golf Club. All Team members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Other Business

Discussion Topics

The following list of topics will be kept as part of the minutes and future agendas to indicate the items that have surfaced as issues for discussion by the team. As each issue is addressed, it may be removed from the list. As new issues are raised, they will be added to the list as a reminder of the things that need discussion:

{Note: Issues that are added will now include the date (11/30/00) they were included on the list so the team can track their longevity}

- Shoulder Rock - further discussion of method of payment.
- Smoothness Specification for ACP - this is an issue of information. A subcommittee of the APAW/WSDOT Joint Task Force is working on the specifics of this issue.
- Longitudinal Wedge Joint
- Testing Storm Sewer Pipe - recent changes in the testing requirements for HDPE pipe have increased the length of time for testing.
(5/24/01) - What is the background for those changes?
(9/20/01) - Discussed the duration of the test. Bill G. said why hold it so long when you know within the first few minutes if you have a leak and thus a failing pipe.
- Signal Detector Loops - Suggested the number of bid items could be reduced by bidding loops per each rather than separate bid items for each type of set (for instance, R1, R2, R3, etc. for loop sets of 1, 2 or 3 loops).
- Structure Excavation Class B – backfilling trenches (5/9/03) Meas. and Payment 2-09
- Aggregate Substitution (5/9/03)
- Documentation requirements for consumables

Next Meeting

The next meetings have been scheduled as follows:

- **January 13, 2005**
- **February 17, 2005**
- **March 17, 2005**

All meetings will be held at the Tacoma AGC office beginning at **8:00am**.